

1           1.    A pointing device comprising:  
2                a pointing device body including an element to  
3 detect movement of the body; and  
4                a control to enable the user to manually change  
5 the rate at which a cursor image moves in response to  
6 movement of said body.

1           2.    A device of claim 1 wherein said pointing device  
2 is a mouse.

1           3.    The pointing device of claim 2 wherein said mouse  
2 includes a body having a curved upper surface and a  
3 peripheral side wall, said control being positioned on said  
4 side wall.

1           4.    The pointing device of claim 2 wherein said  
2 control is positioned on said mouse so as to be operable by  
3 the user's thumb when the user's hand is on top of the  
4 mouse.

1           5.    The pointing device of claim 1 wherein said  
2 control is a roller switch.

1           6.    The pointing device of claim 1 wherein said  
2 control enables the rate at which the cursor image moves to  
3 be manually increased or decreased.

1           7.    A mouse comprising:  
2                a body including an element to detect movement of  
3 the body; and  
4                a control to enable the user to manually change  
5 the rate at which a cursor image moves in response to  
6 movement of said body, said control being positioned to lie  
7 under the user's thumb when the body is positioned in the  
8 user's hand.

1           8.    The mouse of claim 7 wherein said body includes a  
2 curved upper surface and a side wall, said control being  
3 positioned in said side wall.

1           9.    The mouse of claim 7 wherein said control is a  
2 roller switch.

1           10.   The mouse if claim 7 wherein said control enables  
2 the rate at which the cursor image moves to be manually  
3 increased or decreased.

1           11.   A method comprising:  
2                enabling a mouse to generate position signals;  
3 and  
4                enabling a mouse to receive manual input commands  
5 to alter the rate of movement of an on-screen cursor.

1        12. The method of claim 11 including receiving  
2 signals from a control mounted on a mouse and a response  
3 thereto, selectively increasing or decreasing the rate of  
4 movement of on-screen cursor.

1        13. A pointing device comprising:  
2            a first element to generate pointing device  
3 position signals; and  
4            a second device attached to the first device to  
5 provide cursor speed control signals.

1        14. The pointing device of claim 13 wherein said  
2 pointing device is a mouse.

1        15. The pointing device of claim 14 including a mouse  
2 body having a curved upper surface and a peripheral side  
3 wall, a roller switch being positioned in said side wall,  
4 said roller switch operable to increase or decrease the  
5 speed of cursor movement.